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BETHLEHEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH,
POMARIA, S. C., November 8th, 1883.

The Fifty-Ninth Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina was opened at Bethlehem Church, Pomaria, S. C., at 10 A. M., November 8th, 1883.

FIRST SESSION.

The Synod was opened with the regular service for the opening of Synod, as contained in the Book of Worship, by the President, Rev. E. T. Horn.

The Roll of Ministers was called, and a Roll of Lay Delegates made out.

Roll of Synod.

MINISTERS.	WHEN ORDAINED.	POSTOFFICE.
Rev. J H Honour, D. D.....	1834.....	Charleston, S. C.
“ Edwin A. Bolles.....	1835.....	Columbia, S. C.
“ C. F. Bansemer, D. D.....	1842.....	Jacksonville, Fla.
“ L. Müller, D. D.....	1842.....	Charleston, S. C.
“ J. H. Bailey.....	1846.....	Lexington, S. C.

MINISTERS.	WHEN ORDAINED.	POSTOFFICE.
Rev. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D.....	1848.....	Walhalla, S. C.
" J. F. Probst	1851.....	Walhalla, S. C.
" J. Steck, D. D.....	1853.....	Newberry, S. C.
" B. F. Berry.....	1854.....	Midway, S. C.
" J. Hawkins, D. D.....	1855.....	Prosperity, S. C.
" A. W. Lindler.....	1856.....	Leesville, S. C.
" P. Miller.....	1858.....	Columbia, S. C.
" B. Kreps.....	1860.....	Barr's Landing, S. C.
" J. Heckel	1860.....	Charleston, S. C.
" J. A. Sligh.....	1863.....	Prosperity, S. C.
" Prof. G. W. Holland.....	1864	Newberry, S. C.
" D. Kyzer.....	1866.....	Ridge Spring, S. C.
" C. P. Boozer.....	1871.....	Leesville, S. C.
" E. T. Horn.....	1872.....	Charleston, S. C.
" J. F. Kiser.....	1873.....	Orangeburg, S. C.
" S. S. Rahn.....	1874.....	Augusta, Ga.
" Z. W. Bedenbaugh.....	1874.....	Prosperity, S. C.
" J. B. Haskell.....	1875.....	Columbia, S. C.
" L. E. Busby	1875.....	Leesville, S. C.
" L. K. Probst.....	1879.....	Charleston, S. C.
" J. H. Wilson.....	1880	Orangeburg, S. C.
" I. P. Hawkins.....	1881	Midway, S. C.
" J. Q. Wertz.....	1881.....	Fort Motte, S. C.
" S. T. Hallman.....	1863.....	Pomaria, S. C.
" E. A. Wingard.....	1875.....	Varnsville, S. C.
" J. E. Bushnell	1884.....	Prosperity, S. C.
" M. O. J. Kreps.....	1884.....	Lexington, S. C.
" A. J. Bowers	1884.....	Newberry, S. C.
" J. W. S. Sheppard	1884..	Gaston High School, S. C.

Lay Delegates.

Prof. C. W. Welch.....	Newberry, S. C.
V. L. Norman.....	Walhalla, S. C.
Anderson Shealy	Barr's Landing, S. C.
Jefferson Quattlebaum.....	Prosperity, S. C.
William L. Riser.....	Prosperity, S. C.
J. C. Tiedeman.....	Charleston, S. C.
Robert F. Bryant.....	Orangeburg, S. C.
Leopard Nichols.....	Leesville, S. C.

Wm. R. Hentz.....	Walton, S. C.
S. P. Derrick.....	Leesville, S. C.
Capt. G. S. Hacker.....	Charleston, S. C.
Jas. L. Rast.....	Orangeburg, S. C.
A. G. Dickert.....	Hope Station, S. C.
M. M. Kinard.....	Prosperity, S. C.
H. W. Jeffcoat.....	Blackville, S. C.
D. L. Boozer, D. S.....	Columbia, S. C.
J. L. Shuler, M. D.....	Selwood, S. C.
H. H. Riser.....	Ethridge, S. C.
D. I. Epting.....	Pine Ridge, S. C.
J. S. Hendrix.....	Lexington C H., S. C.
Daniel Kinard.....	Midway, S. C.

Members Ex-Officio.

Major P. E. Wise.....	Prosperity, S. C.
Hon. G. Leaphart.....	Columbia, S. C.
G. W. Dingle, Esq.....	Charleston, S. C.

The President of Synod, Rev. E. T. Horn, read his report of official acts during the past year.

On motion, it was received, and afterwards referred to proper committees for action.

President's Report.

Fathers and Brethren :

Permitted to assemble again in Synod, let us ask God for the wisdom we need. We are called not merely to do the business of ordinary years, nor only to celebrate the memory of the servant of God whose disciples we are; but wisely to deliberate and resolve concerning enterprises already begun, and further enterprises proposed; while the great question of the association of all the Lutheran Synods of the South has been suddenly brought upon us. In this crisis we shall greatly miss one, whose advice we were wont to ask.

Two of our fathers in the Lord have been called away from much suffering to their heavenly reward, Rev. J. H. Wertz and Rev. A. R. Rude, D. D. The former by humble zeal and great devotion to our Church had accomplished much; the latter was eminent as a scholar, a theologian and an ecclesiastic. It will be remembered that when during our last Convention in Charleston Dr. Rude rose to take leave of us but asked that his name remain on the roll, there was a general desire to express our love and sense of obligation to him, a desire which he foiled with characteristic modesty. Let us now put on record our affection for these brethren, and a just estimate of Dr. Rude's great services to the Church.

The Committee appointed to procure from the Legislature of this State a new charter for our Synod has attended to this duty. A copy of the charter is herewith transmitted. I recommend that it be printed with the Minutes of this Convention.

The following changes have taken place during this Synodical Year:

1. REMOVALS FROM THE SYNOD.

Rev. A. D. L. Moser, having accepted a charge in the Synod of North Carolina, has been dismissed to that body.

Rev. H. S. Wingard, having resigned the Pomaria Churches, and having accepted a charge within the Georgia Synod, was dismissed to that body, October 26, 1883.

2. CHANGES IN THE PASTORATES.

Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh informed me, Dec. 13, 1882, that he had begun his work as pastor of Beth-Eden Church.

Rev. J. H. Wilson, Jan. 4, 1883, as pastor of Pastorate No. 2.

Rev. B. Kreps, Feb. 17, 1883, advised me that the joint council of Pastorate No. 5, rendered vacant by Bro. Moser's resignation, had resolved that each congregation in the charge must make its own arrangements; and that he had accepted a call from St. David's and Bethlehem Churches; had therefore relinquished charge of Orange Chapel and resigned his own charge, but having been requested still to preach at Union Church, wished to do so.

Rev. C. P. Boozer on July 9, 1883, informed me that he had accepted a call from Mt. Pleasant Church, Lexington Co., to serve it during the present Synodical Year, in addition to four congregations he already had.

Rev. J. E. Bushnell, a licentiate of the Synod of Virginia, took charge of Grace Church, Prosperity, Dec., 1882.

Rev. J. F. Probst took charge of St. Peter's, Walhalla, June 1, 1883.

INSTALLATIONS.

I regret that my pastoral duties have forbidden me to officiate at the installations I am about to mention. In complying with the request of the pastors to appoint brethren to attend to this duty in my place, I have required that their expenses be paid by the congregations served, a request which has in all cases been acceded to, and might be made a standing rule of the Synod.

1. Rev. J. Q. Wertz asked me to appoint Rev. P. Miller to install him. Bro. Miller was not able to do so; and though I asked Bro. Wertz to select some one else, I received no reply.

Feb. 28, Rev. J. H. Wilson was installed in Pastorate No. 2, by Rev. Prof. Rahn.

Rev. J. B. Haskell was installed in Ebenezer Church, Columbia, by Rev. Dr. Smeltzer and Rev. H. S. Wingard.

CHURCH DEDICATED.

Prospect Church, Early Branch, Rev. E. A. Wingard, Pastor, was dedicated by Rev. Dr. Rude, about the 1st of December, 1882.

VACANT CHARGES.

So far as I have been informed, the following charges are vacant :

This Pastorate, which, I have been informed, has called Rev. S. T. Hallman who will take charge in December of this year.

The congregation in Lexington village is at present served by Mr. M. O. J. Kreps, an applicant for ordination.

I regret that Rev. J. B. Haskell has been compelled to intermit his labors in Columbia, on account of failing health. The congregation has given him a leave of absence for six months.

At the request of the President of Central Conference, I wrote to members of Bethany Congregation, Lexington Co. In reply they have sent a respectful petition to be associated with other congregations, which I recommend to the attention of the Committee on Pastorates.

NEW MEMBERS.

Rev. E. A. Wingard has been received from the Synod of North Carolina.

Rev. J. E. Bushnell, a licentiate of the Synod of Virginia, having become pastor at Prosperity, was received conditionally; the condition being that he will at this meeting of Synod apply for examination and ordination. Inasmuch as the license given by the Synod of Virginia expired at their meeting in October, I gave Bro. Bushnell authority to preach in Grace Church during the interval, but requested him not to perform the distinctively ministerial acts. A copy of my letter to him accompanies this report. It would be well for the Synod now to decide how the President ought to act in such a case as this: 1, in receiving a licentiate of another Synod; 2, if his license should expire before the meeting of this Synod.

Rev. S. T. Hallman has accepted a call to the pastorate in which Synod is now assembled, and was received from the Synod of North Carolina, October 29, 1883. He asks to be excused from attendance at this meeting.

APPLICANTS FOR ORDINATION.

Three students of Theology from this Synod, regularly graduated by the Theological Seminary at Salem, apply for Ordination. Since their graduation, one of them has supplied the Church in Lexington, one has taught in the Gaston High School in North Carolina, and one has taught in the Preparatory Department of Newberry College. They hold themselves ready to obey the call of the Church.

In my opinion the Church ought to express its emphatic disapproval of the marriage of two of these candidates, while still under our charge. By that act they have shown little respect for the examination they have yet to undergo, and seem to think their ordination a foregone conclusion.

Rev. J. E. Bushnell also is an applicant for examination and ordination, in reference to whom it is right to state that I have received testimony of his zeal and efficiency.

In order that the examination of these brethren may be thorough yet not consume too much time, I have suggested a change in the manner of it, which I hope the Ministerium will adopt. I have proposed that the subjects desig-

nated by our Constitution be divided among the members of the Examining Committee, who shall then lead in the examination accordingly. I have ventured on the following division for the present year and have requested each member to prepare on his subject 5-10 Questions. Synod or the Ministerium should then decide whether the examination shall be oral or in writing. If it be decided to require answers in writing on some subjects, the same questions may be given to all, and their answers may be considered at leisure.

EXAMINERS AND SUBJECTS.

Rev. Prof. Holland—Latin Language, Evidences of Christianity.

Rev. Dr. Muller—Exegesis of New Testament, Catechetics.

Rev. Dr. Hawkins—Doctrinal and Moral Theology.

Rev. Dr. Smeltzer—Church History, History of Doctrine

Rev. E. T. Horn—Exegesis of Old Testament, Homiletics, Pastoral Theology.

I recommend that the names of the members of the Examining Committee be printed in the Minutes of every year.

OTHER CORRESPONDENCE.

1. June 24, 1883, a respectful communication was addressed to me by the Council of St. Johannes' Church, Charleston, asking my judicial decision on certain points. I replied that I had no authority as a judge, but offered my brotherly advice, which was pleasantly accepted. The correspondence is submitted with this report.

2. In accordance with the resolution of Synod I addressed a letter to the Rev. President of the Synod of Georgia, and another to the Rev. President of the Synod of Iowa, in reference to the interests of English Lutherans in Augusta and Atlanta. The latter did not reply. The former welcomed our assistance, but deprecated any interference with the jurisdiction of his own Synod. He evinced much interest in the duty of the Church towards the city of Atlanta.

3. *Tennessee Synod.* At the instance of Rev. H. S. Wingard, I addressed to Rev. Dr. Henkel, President of Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Tennessee, a letter proposing that we try to settle (peacefully) the suit pending in one of the congregations served by the former. The proposal was accepted most Christianly, and Dr. Henkel suggested an excellent plan of compromise. I understand that the pastor of the congregation opposed to Brother Wingard's congregation favored this settlement, but his people spurned it, and so a praiseworthy effort came to naught.

Encouraged by the tone of Dr. Henkel's letter, and by various articles appearing in the Church papers, I now wrote to Dr. Henkel, inquiring whether there was not a basis on which the Tennessee Synod could co-operate with the General Synod, South. I received from him an earnest and suggestive reply. This correspondence is submitted to the Synod without further comment. Subsequently, the Church papers contained an interesting account of a proposition made by the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Tennessee to the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Virginia, to hold a free conference to discuss the formation of a Synodical Conference, &c. This overture has also been formally made to this Synod, and is herewith submitted. The resolutions in reply, adopted by the

Synod of Virginia, accompany these documents. It would not be proper for me to discuss this matter in advance of the report of the committee to which you will refer it; nor need I remind you that this undoubtedly is a crisis in the history of our Church in the South. Let us give to the question earnest prayer and the most thorough consideration.

THE GENERAL SYNOD.

At this meeting, delegates to the General Synod are to be elected. Many important topics will be discussed at that Synod, and as some of these are now before the Church, I think an effort ought to be made to ascertain the opinion of this Synod concerning them. It may be impracticable to instruct our delegates, but I emphatically dissent from the doctrine that the position taken by our delegates, and even the resolution of the General Synod, except in the departments expressly mentioned in its Constitution, are absolutely binding on our Synod; and I think our delegates have a right to know the sentiment of the Synod on questions already mooted. I therefore suggest that some action be taken indicative of our opinion on the following topics:

1. The General Synod's Committee has called Rev. J. W. Stickler to be Foreign Missionary, and he has accepted the call. We must inquire what amount of money has been collected in our congregations for this purpose during the past year, decide how much we can promise consistently with our other duties, and suggest means by which this work can be encouraged among us.

2. The General Synod, North, has resolved to do its work for the freedmen through the Committee of the General Synod, South. It has been resolved by the Synod of North Carolina to offer to the General Synod a mission among colored people, begun at Concord, N. C. The Newberry Conference of our own Synod proposes to employ a missionary among the same class of our people, with a view to organize a school for the training of colored Lutheran ministers. Doubtless they have taken steps to lay their plans before us. This is a great work, and God may be offering it to us. It will be disastrous to begin it feebly, and without a good plan. We ought, therefore, prayerfully mature a plan which shall be consistent and practicable. I also suggest that it would be well for our General Synod to withdraw its authorization of Howard University as a training school for Lutheran colored ministers, because it is not founded on the theological basis of our Synod, and indeed is in no sense a Lutheran school. It will be proper to remark here that I have officially corresponded with prominent ministers of our Church in the Northern States on the subject of the work among the colored people, but have received no encouragement to expect material aid from them.

3. The General Synod may be asked to undertake mission work at Atlanta, Georgia; and it is right that we should consider our duty with reference to that point.

THE COLLEGE.

Doubtless full reports will show what success the effort to raise funds for the College has met with. I trust the concerns of our College will receive a thorough and friendly discussion, and that we may be able greatly to assist it.

HOME MISSIONS.

I shall now give a narrative of the work of the Executive Committee, having again served as its Chairman. The reports of the missionaries are herewith submitted; the books of the Treasurer and his report will be laid before you; and the Committee will answer questions which may be asked when its work comes under discussion.

The Committee derived the greatest advantage from their experience during the preceding year. Thorough exploration of the State had indicated points to be avoided. Rev. J. F. Probst was employed at a salary of \$66.66 a month, and under the direction of the Committee visited Greenville, Aiken, Augusta, Beaufort and Marion.

One visit sufficed for *Marion*. The little body of Lutherans there is not strong enough to be organized into a congregation. They however deserve an occasional visit.

The work at *Aiken* proved discouraging. No interest was shown by our Lutheran people there, and finally the Committee ceased trying to force a Church upon them. The lots once bought in that place have been identified, but I regret that our efforts to secure a title to them for Synod have hitherto been unsuccessful, and there still are difficulties in the way.

A provisional organization has been effected at *Greenville*. The Church at *Walhalla* falling vacant, Rev. J. F. Probst then accepted a call to Walhalla and Greenville, the Executive Committee agreeing to supplement his salary by an appropriation of \$150, from June 1, 1883, to June 1, 1884.

Rev. E. A. Wingard was directed to make Early Branch the centre of a work in that region. An attempt to accomplish something at Aiken proved fruitless. He then began a school at Varnsville, which adds to the influence of our Church in that section. He also began to preach in Beaufort. A visit of Rev. Dr. Muller, who was sent by the Committee, stirred up considerable interest among the German Lutherans resident there, and there is a prospect of the formation of a congregation in that town. The Committee believe it will be advantageous to develop a Pastorate in the neighborhood of our noble little vanguard at Early Branch. Therefore, for such service, they have engaged to pay Brother Wingard also \$150, from June 1, 1883, to June 1, 1884.

Meanwhile our venerable Brother Lindler has been serving Graniteville with the greatest acceptance. For this he has been paid \$50 by the Committee.

It will be seen, then, that the expenditures of the Committee, up to June 1st, were for the salary of a traveling missionary, who did the work of a pioneer. At that date the work was concentrated on two missionary pastorates. We have entered on a contract, which will expire June 1, 1884. Up to that time these missionaries are to be paid at the rate of \$150 *per annum*. I recommend that a sufficient amount be appropriated to the Executive Committee to be elected not only to pay these sums until that time, but to continue the same for another year. In these three points a beginning has been made, which ought to be followed up for four or five years. Then we may enjoy a permanent result.

While Rev. J. F. Probst was our traveling missionary, early after the meeting of Synod the Committee sent him to Augusta, Ga. As President of the Synod I gave him explicit instructions and credentials (herewith submitted). He was

directed to apply to the Pastor and Council of the German Lutheran Church and confer with them concerning the need and prospects of an English Lutheran Church in that city. Brother Probst conducted himself with the greatest propriety; refused to address himself to any but the recognized authorities of the German congregation, and was rewarded by a courteous resolution of the Church Council thanking him for his visit and setting forth their intention to provide English services for their young people. The Committee regarded this as a happy conclusion to a delicate enterprise. During the spring Brother Probst received letters from some of the members of the congregation in Augusta asking him to visit them and organize them into an (English) Lutheran congregation. After due deliberation, again on my authority, and after ample investigation, he did so organize them. Prof. Rahn was called to be their pastor. The happiest relations are said to subsist between the older and the young congregation. The movement is in every sense a hopeful one.

The Executive Committee feel that they have made one mistake. It was understood at last Synod that the whole balance in the Treasury was to be at their disposal, and they immediately drew on the Treasurer for it, because they were able by depositing it in the bank to secure interest on it. The Treasurer at first demurred, but afterwards properly honored my order. Yet we felt that there was an impropriety in holding it beyond the control of a bonded officer. Strong reasons which moved the Committee, I do not here mention. I recommend that this year the Synod designate the amount appropriated for the Executive Committee.

Besides this general work, it is proper to record that the pastors in Charleston on September 5th, laid the corner-stone of a chapel in the Northeastern part of the city, to be called St. Barnabas Church. It is essentially a mission. The chapel is nearly complete, but the Sunday School and congregation are yet to be collected. It is hoped that our four congregations will work together in this enterprise, to their own upbuilding and the good of the neighborhood in which the chapel has been placed.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

This brings me to several recommendations, the adoption of which might facilitate the business of the Synod.

1. It would be well if all reports to be laid before Synod were communicated to the President long enough before the meeting to enable him to present at the opening of the session a summary of all business to be done, with recommendations which may serve as "a basis for variation."

2. *Conferences* are not mentioned in the Constitution of the Synod. As they have grown up among us, and have been found useful, a division of the Synod into Conferences ought to be incorporated into the Constitution, and their powers ought to be strictly defined.

3. I recommend that theses on a doctrinal subject be made the matter of discussion at a fixed time during every Convention of Synod. Thus theological study will be furthered among us, and unity in the Word of God will be secured.

I have no apology to offer for the number and variety of the recommendations of this report; but pray God may guide us in the business He has given us to do.

EDWARD T. HORN.

Officers of Synod.

The election for officers being held, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year :

President—REV. E. T. HORN.

Vice-President—REV. J. A. SLIGH.

Secretary—REV. L. K. PROBST.

At 11 A. M., Synod adjourned for Divine Service. Prayer by Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh.

The Synodical Sermon was preached by Rev. E. T. Horn, after which the Communion of the Lord's Supper was celebrated.

SECOND SESSION.

At 1 P. M. Synod was again called to order.

Opened with prayer by Rev. S. S. Rahn.

Rev. H. S. Wingard and Messrs. J. E. Bushnell, J. W. S. Shepard, A. J. Bowers and M. O. J. Kreps were received as advisory members.

The Minutes of last Synod were referred to a Committee, and all papers for the consideration of Synod were called for.

Treasurer of Synod, Major P. E. Wise, read his Report, which was received, and placed in the hands of a Committee.

Report of Treasurer of Synod.

P. E. Wise, Treasurer, in Account with South Carolina Synod :

1882.		DR.		
November	9	—To balance in Treasury per last report.	.....	\$ 76 39
"	9	" received at Synod, Charleston, S. C.	.....	1,056 35
"	9	" " from Missionary Society	.....	250 32
"	9	" " " Rev. L. E. Busby's charge, for Foreign Missions	.....	39 28
1883.				
February	28	" " " Rev. I. P. Hawkins, for College	.....	5 00
March	4	" " " Rev. J. Stock, for Synodical Fund	.....	10 00
"	17	" " " Rev. Johannas Heckel's charge, for Missions	.....	15 47
April	2	" " " Corinth Church, for Newberry College	.....	1 25
"	10	" " " Rev. Dr. Hawkins' charge for Foreign Missions	.....	16 15
Amount carried forward.				\$ 1,461 21

		Amount brought forward.....	\$ 1,461 21
June	7	To received from Rev. I. P. Hawkins' charge, for Synod.....	17 00
"	26	" " " Rev. H. S. Wingard's charge, for Newberry College.....	5 00
July	21	" " " Rev. E. T. Horn, for Synod.....	100 00
November	5	" " " Rev. E. T. Horn, for Synod.....	30 00
Total.....			\$1,613 21

1882.		CR.	
November	13	—Paid Rev. Dr. Smeltzer, per order of Synod.....	\$ 10 00
"	13	" Rev. Dr. Rude, per order of Synod.....	6 35
"	13	" Rev. H. S. Wingard, per order of Synod.....	9 00
"	13	" Rev. Dr. Hawkins, per order of Synod.....	9 30
"	13	" Rev. E. T. Horn, for Rev. Wilson.....	25 00
"	13	" Rev. E. T. Horn, per order of Synod.....	14 00
"	14	" Rev. G. W. Holland, for insurance of College...	100 00
"	14	" Rev. G. W. Holland, for apparatus fund.....	50 00
"	18	" Sheppard and Kreps, beneficiaries.....	100 00
"	18	" Postoffice order and stamps.....	54
"	20	" G. S. Hacker, per order of Synod....	20 00
"	24	" Dr. O. B. Mayer, per order of Synod	15 00
"	28	" D. B. Wheeler, per order of Synod	15 00
December	7	" Rev. G. W. Holland, for Foreign Missions.....	30 28
"	8	" Rev. L. K. Probst, per order President of Synod..	349 67
"	9	" for printing Minutes.....	91 65
"	9	" for Express, mailing, &c., on Minutes.....	7 00
"	9	" Discount on check to Rev. L. K. Probst.....	1 68
"	11	" R. G. Chisolm, for Richmond Mission.....	160 00
"	13	" Rev. L. K. Probst, per order President of Synod..	98 65
"	13	" Postoffice order and stamps.....	13
"	19	" Rev. L. K. Probst, per order of President of Synod.....	50 00
"	20	" Sheppard and Kreps, beneficiaries....	100 00
"	20	" Postoffice order and stamps.....	54
1883.			
March	10	" D. B. Wheeler, for College....	5 00
"	28	" Sheppard and Kreps, beneficiaries.....	100 00
"	28	" Postoffice order and stamps.....	54
April	5	" D. B. Wheeler, for College	1 25
"	30	" Sheppard and Kreps, beneficiaries.....	50 00
"	30	" Postoffice order and stamps.....	28
June	26	" D. B. Wheeler, for College.....	5 00
November	5	" Rev. G. W. Holland, for Foreign Missions.....	16 15
"	5	" Balance in Treasury.....	171 20
Total.....			\$1,613 21

The Report of G. W. Dingle, Esq., Treasurer of the Seminary Fund, was read, and received, and referred to a Committee.

Report of Treasurer of Seminary Fund.

The Lutheran Theological Seminary, in Account with G. W. Dingle, Treasurer :

1882.		CR.			
December	7	—To Cash paid Rev. S. A. Repass, 1 quarter's salary, to 1st March, 1883....	\$ 275 00		
		“ Balance due on last quarter.	25 00		\$300 00
		“ Cash paid for incidental expenses of Seminary, under resolution of Synod.....			39 00
1883.					
March	3	“ Cash paid Rev. S. A. Repass, 1 quarter's salary, to 1st June.....		275 00	
June	6	“ Cash paid Rev. S. A. Repass, 1 quarter's salary, to 1st September....	275 00		
		Cash paid exchange.....	75	275 75	
July	1	“ Paid Express charges in exchanging \$6,000 S. C. “green” Consols for “brown”.....	6 00		
		“ Paid collecting City of Atlanta Coupons.....	40		6 40
September	3	“ Cash paid Rev. S. A. Repass, 1 quarter's salary, to 1st December....	275 00		
		“ Paid exchange.....	62		275 62
		“ Paid R. M. Marshall & Bro., for \$1,000 S. C. Consols, No. 3,407..	1,022 50		
		“ Paid commissions to brokers.....	5 00		1,027 50
		“ Balance.....			206 90
					\$2,406 17

CHARLESTON, S. C., November 6th, 1883.

I certify, that vouchers for the items set out in the above account were this day presented to me for examination, and were found to correspond with the items as stated above.

W. W. JOHNSON.

1882.		DR.		
December	1	By balance from last account.....	\$	290 97
1883.				
January	5	" 6 months interest on \$1,000 City of Atlanta 8 per cent. bonds.....	\$	40 00
		" 6 months interest on \$6,000 S. C. Consols, 6 per cent., (green).....		180 00
		" 6 months interest on \$6,000 S. C. Consols, (brown).....		180 00
		" 6 months interest on \$1,700 City of Charleston 4 per cent. bonds....		34 00
				434 00
February	19	" Cash in full on bond of Mrs. Daly, due 15th July, 1882.....		894 54
		" 7 months interest to 1st Feb., 1883		36 66
				931 20
March	3	" 6 months interest on \$1,500 N. E. R. R. bonds, first mortgage 8 per cent.....		60 00
		" 6 months interest on \$100 City of Charleston 7 per cent. bonds....		3 50
				63 50
May	23	" Cash of W. K. Bachman, in full of 1 quarter's interest on bond, to 11th May, 1883.....		189 00
July	1	" 6 months interest on \$12,000 S. C. Consols.....		360 00
		" 6 months interest on \$1,700 City of Charleston 4 per cent. bonds....		34 00
		" 6 months interest on \$1,000 City of Atlanta 8 per cent. bonds.....		40 00
				434 00
September	4	" 6 months interest on \$1,500 N. E. R. R. bonds, 8 per cent.....		60 00
October	13	" 6 months interest on \$100 City of Charleston 7 per cent. bonds....		3 50
1883.				
November	1	By balance.....		\$206 90
				\$2,406 17

G. W. DINGLE, *Treasurer.**Charleston, S. C., November 6th, 1883.*

STATEMENT OF ASSETS IN THE HANDS OF THE TREASURER.

So. Ca. Consols (brown) 6 per cent.....	\$14,000 00
City of Atlanta 8 per cent. bonds.....	1,000 00
N. E. R. R. first mortgage bonds, 8 per cent....	1,500 00
City of Charleston 4 per cent. bonds.....	1,700 00
City of Charleston 7 per cent bonds.....	100 00
Amount carried forward.....	\$18,300 00

Amount brought forward.....	\$18,300 00
Bond of Wm. K. Bachman, with mortgage of real estate in Columbia.	2,700 00
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	\$21,000 00

MEMORANDUM.

During the past year, the bond of Mrs. Daly has been paid and the amount invested in a State Consol.

The \$6,000 South Carolina Green Consols have been exchanged for Brown Consols.

The annual income of the Fund is thirteen hundred and four dollars.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. DINGLE, *Treasurer*

CHARLESTON, S. C., November 6th, 1883.

The Securities representing the above amounts were this day exhibited to me for examination. In addition to the above, the Treasurer also produced Scrip for Two (2) Shares of Stock of Union Bank of South Carolina, in liquidation, upon which there is still a small amount unpaid.

W. W. JOHNSON.

The Report of Hon. G. Leaphart, Treasurer of Bachman Endowment Fund, was read and received, and referred to a Committee.

G. Leaphart, Treasurer, in Account with the Bachman Endowment Fund for Newberry College:

1882.	DR.	
Nov. 10—To Interest in hand per last report.....	\$32 03	
“ 17 “ Note for \$600 00.....	45 00	
Dec. 1 “ “ 600 00.....	38 50	
“ 16 “ “ 150 00.....	10 75	
“ 23 “ “ 350 00.....	24 50	
1883.		
Jan. 10 “ “ 200 00.....	14 00	
“ 10 “ “ 1,000 00.....	70 00	
“ 15 “ “ 200 00.....	14 00	
Feb. 1 “ “ 100 00.....	7 00	
Mch. 27 “ “ 300 00.....	21 00	
“ 30 “ “ 475 00.....	20 60	
“ 30 “ “ 124 00.....	8 70	
Apl. 21 “ “ 200 00.....	8 00	
“ 21 “ “ 740 00.....	30 00	
June 10 “ “ 300 00.....	21 00	
“ 11 “ “ 100 00.....	7 00	
“ 16 “ “ 740 00.....	20 00	
Sept. 20 “ “ 150 00.....	10 50	
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Amount carried forward.....	\$402 58	

	Amount brought forward.....	\$ 402 58
Sept. 26—	To Interest on Note for 100 00.....	10 70
Oct. 20	“ “ 100 00 ..	14 00
“ 21	“ “ 600 00.....	48 30
1882.		
June 20—	Received from Capt. G. S. Hacker, former Treasurer, a Certificate of Deposit in Germania Savings Bank of Charleston.....	15 52
Dec. 10—	Contributed by a lady of Charleston.....	100 00
“ 15—	Cash paid on Note and Mortgage	600 00
1883.		
Jan. 30—	Cash paid on Note and Mortgage.....	200 00
	Cash collected on Endowment Bonds.....	685 00
	Cash in Bank per last report.....	498 63
	Total.....	\$2,574 73

1882.	CR.	
Nov. 11—	To Cash paid D. B. Wheeler, College Treasurer.....	\$10 75
“ 16	“ “ “	50 00
Dec. 15	“ “ “	55 00
“ 19	“ “ “	24 50
1883.		
Jan. 10	“ “ “	84 00
“ 15	“ “ “	7 00
“ 15	“ “ “	32 00
Feb. 1	“ “ “	4 00
“ 16	“ “ “	41 00
Mch. 8	“ “ “	5 00
Apl. 6	“ “ “	10 00
“ 21	“ “ “	30 00
May 1	“ “ “	21 00
June 12	“ “ “	20 00
Sept. 26	“ “ “	5 00
Oct. 27	“ “ “	70 00

	Cash paid for Stationery, Postage, and Express on Money.....	6 33
		\$ 475 58
Mch. 1—	To Cash invested in Bond and Mortgage.....	1,000 00
“ 1	“ “ “	300 00
“ 1	“ “ “	300 00
Nov. 6—	Cash on Deposit in Central National Bank, Columbia.....	483 63
“ 6—	Cash in Germania Savings Bank, Charleston.....	15 52
	Total.....	\$2,574 73

ASSETS.

*Dates of Bonds.**Dates to when
interest has been
paid.*

Dec. 1, 1877...	One Columbia Female College Bond, \$	100.00...	Dec. 1, 1883
Nov. 16, 1878...	One Personal Bond and Mortgage,	1,249.67...	Nov. 16, 1880
Jan. 7, 1878...	do. do. do.	1,000.00...	Jan. 1, 1883
Mch. 1, 1878...	do. do. do.	212.70...	Mch. 1, 1882
May 13, 1878...	do. do. do.	150.00...	May 15, 1883
Apl. 19, 1879...	do. do. do.	100.00...	Jan. 1, 1883
Nov. 15, 1879...	do. do. do.	200.00...	Jan. 1, 1883
July 23, 1879...	do. do. do.	300.00...	Jan. 1, 1883
June 26, 1880...	do. do. do.	475.00...	Jan. 1, 1883
Nov. 12, 1880...	do. do. do.	200.00...	Nov. 12, 1882
Feb. 11, 1880...	do. do. do.	150.00...	Jan. 1, 1883
Jan. 19, 1880...	do. do. do.	100.00...	Jan. 1, 1884
May 9, 1881...	do. do. do.	100.00...	Jan. 1, 1883
Apl. 26, 1881...	do. do. do.	740.00...	Sept. 1882
June 29, 1881...	do. do. do.	600.00...	Oct. 1, 1883
Apl. 7, 1879...	do. do. do.	350.00...	Jan. 1, 1882
Jan. 23, 1882...	do. do. do.	124.00...	Jan. 1, 1883
Feb. 13, 1882...	do. do. do.	300.00...	Jan. 1, 1883
Oct. 9, 1882...	do. do. do.	400.00	
Mch. 1, 1883...	do. do. do.	1,000.00	
Mch. 1, 1883...	do. do. do.	300.00	
Mch. 1, 1883...	do. do. do.	300.00	

Cash deposited in Bank, Columbia.... 483.63

Cash in Germania Savings Bank,

Charleston..... 15.52

Endowment Bonds not Collected.... 5,217.63

Total.....\$14,168.15

G. LEAPHART, *Treasurer.*

Treasurers of Synod.

By order of Synod, election for Treasurers was held, and resulted as follows :

Treasurer of Synod—MAJOR P. E. WISE.*Treasurer of Seminary Fund*—G. W. DINGLE, Esq.*Treasurer of Bachman Endowment Fund*—HON. G. LEAPHART.

The following Committees were appointed by President of Synod :

Bachman Fund—J. C. Tiedeman, D. L. Boozer, M. D.*Seminary Fund*—Capt. G. S. Hacker, Jas. L. Rast, A. G. Dickert.*Treasurer of Synod*—Rev. J. H. Wilson, S. P. Derrick, Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh.

President's Report—Rev. Dr. Steck, Rev. L. E. Busby, Rev. A. W. Lindler, R. F. Bryant and V. L. Norman.

Minutes of Last Synod—Rev. C. P. Boozer, M. M. Kinard and Jefferson Quattlebaum.

State of Religion—Rev. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D., Rev. P. Miller and William L. Riser.

Correspondence with Tennessee Synod—Rev. Prof. Holland, Rev. J. A. Sligh and Rev. Dr. Hawkins.

Appropriations—Rev. Dr. Steck, Rev. E. A. Bolles and Major P. E. Wise.

Reports of Conferences—Rev. J. F. Kiser, Rev. C. P. Boozer and V. L. Norman.

Missions—Rev. P. Miller, Rev. J. H. Bailey and William L. Riser.

Excuses—Rev. J. H. Bailey, Rev. J. F. Probst and Leopard Nichols.

Pastoral Districts—Rev. S. S. Rahn, Rev. J. H. Wilson and S. P. Derrick.

Apportionments—Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh, Major P. E. Wise and Capt. G. S. Hacker.

Time of meeting and adjournment of Synod was fixed at 9½ A. M. and 4 P. M., with an intermission for Divine Service and lunch.

In order to allow the Ministerium an opportunity to meet, Synod adjourned with prayer, by Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh.

THIRD SESSION.

NOVEMBER 9th, 1883.

Opened with prayer, by Rev. Edwin A. Bolles.

Roll call.

Rev. Prof. S. A. Repass, D. D., of the Theological Seminary at Salem, Va., being present, was welcomed to a seat on the floor of Synod, and requested to participate in the discussions.

On motion, a Committee was appointed to nominate Trustees for Newberry College.

Committee—J. C. Tiedeman, Robert F. Bryant, Rev. A. W. Lindler.

Rev. L. K. Probst, delegate to North Carolina Synod, read his Report, which was received, and with the Minutes, and a letter from the Corresponding Secretary of the North Carolina Synod, referred to the following Committee :

Rev. J. H. Wilson, Rev. J. A. Sligh, J. L. Shuler, M. D.

Report of Delegate to North Carolina Synod.

It was my wish to personally attend the meeting of the above mentioned Synod; finding, however, that, on account of pastoral duties, I would not be able to leave my congregation at the time of its meeting, I so notified my alternate, and requested him, if possible, to go. Receiving no reply from him, I wrote, at the time of their meeting, a letter, extending the fraternal greeting of this body to their Synod, a copy of which letter is herewith submitted. In my letter I took the liberty of expressing the wish that a delegate would be sent to to represent their Synod at this time and place.

Respectfully,

L. K. PROBST.

The Committee on last year's Minutes made their report, which was received and considered by items.

Report of Committee on Minutes of Last Year.

Your Committee call attention to the following:

1. P. 16. The Synod advises the Trustees of Newberry College to appoint an Agent to canvass the Church for funds and students for Newberry College. Has it been done?
2. P. 17. The President appointed a Committee, consisting of John F. Ficken, Esq., Rev. H. S. Wingard and Dr. G. Muller, to examine into the legal status of the charter of this Synod. What has been the result of this investigation?
3. P. 27. We find Rev. J. A. Sligh and D. B. Wheeler, Esq., with Treasurer of Endowment Fund, continued a Committee to settle with O. L. Schumpert. Has it been done?
4. P. 27. Revs. J. A. Sligh, J. D. Shirey, H. S. Wingard, and Dr. O. B. Mayer, Jr., and Capt. G. S. Hacker were continued a Committee to receive Newberry College. Have they received it?
5. P. 30. The President of Synod was authorized to appoint one or more Trustees to look up some land claims in the town of Aiken, S. C. Has this been done, and what is the result?
6. P. 33. The Treasurer of the Seminary Fund was directed to pay during the past year to Rev. S. A. Repass, D. D., the sum of \$1,100, in quarterly installments; also, to pay the Faculty of the Seminary the sum of \$39, for incidental expenses of said institution. Have these requirements been met?
7. P. 34. It was recommended, that the first Sunday after Epiphany be set apart to the interest of our Colleges and Seminaries, and that a collection be lifted for beneficiary education. Has this been done?
8. P. 35. This Synod resolves to raise \$400 during this year toward the payment of a Foreign Missionary's salary. Has it been done?
9. P. 37. Each congregation of this Synod was requested to take up one collection during the year for the current expenses of Newberry College. Has this been done?
10. P. 37. The President of Synod was instructed to correspond with the President of the Lutheran Synod of Georgia, and of the Lutheran Synod of Iowa, in regard to the building up of English Lutheran Churches in the cities of Augusta and Atlanta, in the State of Georgia. Has this been done?

11. P. 38. The Treasurer of the Children's Missionary Society was empowered to use the funds of the Society in the employment of a Home Missionary, under the direction of the Executive Committee. Has he complied?

12. P. 38. The Officers of Synod were appointed a Committee to arrange a programme for the proper celebration of Martin Luther's birth-day. Has this been done?

13. P. 38. The Secretary was instructed to prepay express charges on the Minutes of Synod, and draw on the Treasurer for the amount. Has it been done?

Respectfully,

C. P. BOOZER.

M. M. KINARD.

JEFFERSON QUATTLEBAUM.

ANSWERS TO INQUIRIES.

Item 1. Yes. Item 2. Attended to; see Report of Special Committee. Item 3. Not been settled. Item 4. It has not been received. Item 5. Lots have been found, but a clear title not yet secured. Item 6. Yes; see Treasurer's Report. Item 7. It has been done by some. Item 8. A less amount made up. Item 9. It has been done by 4 or 5. Item 10. Yes; see President's Report. Item 11. Yes. Item 12. Yes. Item 13. Yes.

Report adopted as corrected.

The President of Board of Trustees of Newberry College made his Report, which was laid over for future action.

Report of the President of the Board of Trustees of Newberry College.

It should be a matter of congratulation to the friends of Newberry College, that this institution is still in existence, and not only existence, but that it has an able, competent Faculty, and that the number of students in the Collegiate Department this session is larger than it was during the past session.

At an extra meeting of the Board of Trustees held in December last, Rev. Prof. Rahn was elected as Agent of the College at a salary of \$1,000 per annum. At the same meeting the arrangements that had existed between the College and the Newberry Male Academy were dissolved.

At another meeting of the Board held in June last, the resignation of Rev. Prof. Rahn as Agent of the College was accepted, he having been called to the English Lutheran Church of Augusta, Ga. President Holland was elected to the position of agent in his stead.

The Preparatory Department of the College was placed under a Principal and an Assistant. Others matters of importance were transacted by the Board, which will be brought before Synod by Special Committees.

Three young men were graduated, with the degree of A. B., and one was granted a certificate of proficiency in Latin and English. The degree of A. M. was conferred on seven young men of the class of 1880, and that of D. D. on Rev. H. W. Kuhns, of Westminster, Md.

The Board's Standing Committee, at a meeting held in August, elected Rev. Prof. Dysinger to the Chair of Ancient Languages, Rev. Dr. Steck to the Chair of History and Political Science, and Mr. A. J. Bowers as Principal of the Preparatory Department, with Mr. Augustus Werber as Assistant. Rev. Dr. Steck was employed by said Committee to visit the North in the interest of the College. We are glad to report, that he received donations in valuable books to the amount of five hundred dollars, and some money, as well as laid a foundation for future operations.

Rev. Prof. Rahn, for the short time in which he was engaged as Agent of the College, succeeded in organizing in various portions of the Church Luther Memorial Societies, which promise, if judiciously managed and encouraged, to do a good work towards completing the Endowment Fund. Rev. Prof. Holland has devoted whatever spare time he has had to this work with encouraging success.

Very much depends upon these efforts to endow the College. It has almost become absolutely necessary for the Denominational Colleges in this State to be liberally endowed. Especially is this so, when we remember that the University of the State, or the old South Carolina College, has been re-opened, and is being supported by funds from the public Treasury—that the State is offering free tuition in an institution which is nothing more than a rival of other Colleges, notwithstanding the claim made by some that this is a University, and is intended to afford facilities for a higher education. It is high time for the citizens of the State, who have appropriated their means to the building of these Denominational Colleges, to reach down deeper into their pockets and give them such an Endowment as will enable them to stand any pressure that has been, or may hereafter be put upon them.

In regard to our own Institution, it does appear, that if the eight thousand Lutherans in this State would, as one man, determine to endow Newberry College, it would be done; and in order that this one strong and long pull, and a pull altogether might be made, we respectfully suggest, that the twenty-nine or thirty pastors of these people, identified as they should be with all our interests from this day, and until victory crowns our efforts, take a firm stand among their own people.

I recommend that the Synod appropriate one hundred dollars for the insurance of the College building, and that the third installment of the apparatus fund be paid out of the Treasury.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. SLIGH,

President of the Board of Trustees.

Synod adjourned, with benediction.

FOURTH SESSION—1 P. M.

The delegate from the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Tennessee, Rev. Prof. J. S. Koiner, being present, was cordially welcomed by President Horn.

To this Prof. Koiner responded, presenting the fraternal greetings of the Tennessee Synod, and making mention of the proposed Synodical Conference, which is proposed as one of the first steps towards the organic union of the different Synods of the South.

Further discussion of this question was deferred until a future meeting.

The Committee appointed to nominate Trustees for Newberry College, made the following nominations, which were confirmed by the Synod

Board of Trustees of Newberry College.

D. B. Wheeler, Esq.	C. H. Suber, Esq.
Geo. S. Mower, Esq.	W. J. Assman, Esq.
T. W. Holloway, Esq.	G. B. Cromer, Esq.
Major P. E. Wise.	Gen'l Y. J. Pope.
Capt. G. S. Hacker.	Wm. Haltiwanger.
Hon. G. Leaphart.	O. L. Schumpert.
Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D.	Rev. J. Steck, D. D.
Rev. J. F. Probst.	Rev. J. A. Sligh.
Rev. E. T. Horn.	Rev. S. T. Hallman.

Rev. J. A. Sligh, Chairman of a Special Committee made the following report :

The Committee appointed by Synod to settle the matter of indebtedness of Rev. Mr. Whittle, with this and the South Western Virginia Synod, report that the duty has been attended to and a full and satisfactory settlement has been consummated.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. SLIGH.

Parochial reports were called for, and some were read.

The hour of adjournment having arrived it was decided to make the continuation of Parochial reports the first business of the next session.

The Minutes of Synod were read and corrected.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. H. Wilson, to meet immediately as a Ministerium.

FIFTH SESSION.

NOVEMBER 10TH, 1883.

Opened with prayer by Rev. B. Kreps.

Unfinished business—reading of Parochial Reports—was taken up and finished.

According to motion, the Report of Trustees of Newberry College was then taken up, discussed and adopted.

The President of the Board of Trustees read resolutions adopted by the Board at a meeting held on November 9th, 1883.

Resolved, That the Synod authorize the Committee appointed to receive the College building, to receive the building and surrender the bond of citizens of Newberry, on condition that the debt on the building be reduced to \$400, and the subscription list be transferred to the Synod by the Building Committee; if this agreement and transfer can be consummated before April 1st, 1884.

Resolved, That the Board recommend to Synod the necessity of electing a financial agent of College at the present meeting of Synod.

Resolutions received and ordered to be considered by items.

This was made the special order for the afternoon session.

Prof. H. Dysinger of Newberry College was received as an advisory member.

P. M. SESSION.

The first item offered by President of the Board taken up, discussed and adopted.

Second item also adopted.

A Committee was appointed to receive Newberry College.

Committee.—Rev. J. A. Sligh. Rev. J. Steck, D. D., Rev. G. W. Holland, O. B. Mayer, Jr. and Capt. G. S. Hacker.

At a subsequent meeting it was determined to refer the selection of the Agent to the Board of Trustees of the College.

The Committee on Report of Treasurer of Bachman Endowment Fund reported.

Report of Committee on Report of Treasurer of the Bachman Endowment Fund of Newberry College.

The Committee ask leave to report that they have examined the report of G. Leaphart, Treasurer of the Bachman Endowment Fund and find the same correct, and all disbursements properly vouched for. The investments made during the past year were exhibited by the Treasurer to the Committee and found correct in every particular.

Your Committee would call attention to the statement of the Treasurer in his supplemental report, that there remains unpaid "Endowment Bonds" to the amount of \$5,217.63. and would recommend that the Treasurer be instructed to use such means as may be necessary to collect these bonds.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. TIEDEMAN.
D. L. BOOZER.

Report adopted

Committee on Report of Treasurer of Synod reported.

The Committee on report of Treasurer of Synod beg to report that they have examined the same and find it correct, accompanied by proper vouchers.

Respectfully,

J. H. WILSON.
Z. W. BEDENBAUGH.
S. P. DERRICK.

Report adopted.

Committee on Communication from North Carolina Synod reported.

Report of Committee on Communication from North Carolina Synod.

Your Committee on Minutes of Synod of North Carolina, and communication from the Corresponding Secretary of said Synod, recommend that—

1st. They be received with pleasure.

2nd. That the communication be read before Synod.

3rd. That a committee of three be appointed to confer with the Committee of Synod of North Carolina to consider the propriety of consolidating our Colleges, and the adoption of co-education. Minutes of Synod of North Carolina, May 2, 1883, page 35, R. 8th.

J. H. WILSON.
J. A. SLIGH.
J. L. SHULER.

Report adopted.

Committee.—Prof. G. W. Holland, Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D., D. B. Wheeler.

Committee on Report of Treasurer of Seminary Fund reported

Report of Committee on Report of Treasurer of Seminary Fund.

The Committee appointed to examine the Report of the Treasurer of Seminary Fund would report, that having examined the same, they find it correct,

Respectfully,

GEO. S. HACKER.

J. L. RAST.

A. G. DICKERT.

Report adopted.

On motion, D. J. Epting and Anderson Shealy were excused from further attendance at Synod, on account of sickness.

J. L. Shuler, M. D., was also excused on account of sickness in his practice.

L. K. Probst, Treasurer of Children's Missionary Society, made a report, which was received.

Report of Treasurer of Children's Missionary Society.

L. K. Probst, in Account with Children's Missionary Society :

1882.		DR.		
November	11	Received from former Treasurer.....	\$134	40
1883.				
May	21	Received from former Treasurer.....	222	60
June	15	do. St. Andrew's S. S., Pastorate No. 9, (per J. L. Nunnamaker....	5	75
Total.....				\$362 75

1882.		CR.		
December	1	Paid Rev. J. F. Probst, Expenses to Augusta... ..	\$ 10	00
1883.				
February	22	do. Missionary.....	66	66
March	22	do. do.	66	66
		Exchange.....	25	
April	7	do. Missionary.....	66	66
May	16	do. do.	66	66
		Exchange.....	25	
May	16	do. Rev. A. W. Lindler, Graniteville....	25	00
		P. O. Order.....	15	
August	6	do. Rev. L. Muller, D. D., expenses to Beaufort.....	9	70
September	28	do. Rev. J. F. Probst, Greenville, (June, July, August and September).....	50	00
Total.....				\$361 99
To Balance.....				76
				362 75

L. K. Probst, Treasurer of Executive Committee, made a report, which was referred to the Committee on Missions as information.

Report of Treasurer of Executive Committee.

L. K. Probst, in Account with Executive Committee :

1882.		DR.		
December	8—	Received from Treasurer of Synod.....	\$448	32
"	19	" " " "	50	00
1883.				
July	1	" " Dividend.	8	25
Total.....				\$506 57
1883.		CR.		
August	14—	Paid Rev. E. A. Wingard, Missionary, (June and July).	25	00
September	28	" Rev. A. W. Lindler, Graniteville.....	25	00
		Postoffice order.....	15	
October	4	" Rev. E. A. Wingard, Missionary, (August and September).....	25	00
		" Registered letter.....	10	
November	7	" Rev. J. F. Probst, Greenville, (Oct. and Nov).....	25	00
November	10	" Rev. E. A. Wingard, Missionary, (Oct. and Nov)..<	25	00
Total.....				\$125 25
To balance.....				381 32
				<hr/> \$506 57

On motion, Synod adjourned, to meet as a Ministerium, with prayer by Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D.

SIXTH SESSION.

MONDAY, November 12th, 1883.

Opened with prayer, by Rev. J. F. Probst.

Roll called, and Minutes read.

The Committee on State of Religion reported.

Report received and adopted.

Report on the State of the Church.

Your Committee on the Reports on the State of Religion in the different Charges, would respectfully report as follows:

1. There is one encouraging feature presented in these Reports, viz.: the building, enlarging and beautifying their houses of worship. This shows a love

for the Church, and a desire not only that the worshipers may be comfortable, but that the Church may increase.

2. From these Reports we see no general awakening in the Church upon the subject of religion, and yet a gradual increase is reported, both by confirmation and by letter. No large ingathering of souls, as formerly reported by pastors, are presented in these reports. Whether the Church is now more pious or more worldly, the Master alone can determine.

3. The congregations have been well supplied, and the pastors have been faithful in the performance of their duties. The Word has been faithfully preached. The hope is that it will accomplish the object for which it has been preached—the salvation of souls.

4. In some of the congregations, catechization has been attended to, and the children brought into full communion with the Church. In most, if not all, the congregations, Sabbath Schools have been organized, and the pastors report favorably in reference to these schools. Much interest is manifested in teaching the children the truths of our Holy Religion.

5. That, while there has been no special ingathering of souls, during the Synodical Year, most of the pastors rejoice in the large audiences that attend upon their preaching. This shows a desire to hear the truth, an interest in the Church of the Redeemer. This alone gives encouragement that the truth is exerting its silent influence.

6. One great complaint in some of the congregations seems to be, that while the audiences are large, a few of the members not only absent themselves from the sanctuary, but take little interest in the work of the Church, and perhaps less in their own spiritual improvement.

7. There is another favorable indication of the spiritual growth in the congregations, as given in some of the reports, a greater desire for the literature of our Church, and especially for the Church papers, for it is by these that the members become acquainted with the work and wants of the Church, and become willing to assist in the upbuilding of our Zion.

In conclusion, your Committee, on reading the Reports from the different congregations, and viewing the condition of the Church as presented in these Reports, we naturally ask ourselves the question, why is it, when the audiences are good, and the preaching, no doubt, earnest and faithful, there have been so few, comparatively speaking, brought into full communion with the Church? Is the tendency of our Church towards dead formalism, or towards vital piety, is a question both pastor and people should prayerfully ask themselves.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. SMELTZER.

P. MILLER.

W. L. RISER.

On motion, Rev. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D., on account of duties in his school, was excused after the Morning Session.

The Committee on Excuses reported.

Report of Committee on Excuses.

The Committee on Letters of Excuse would report:

No. 1 is from the Secretary of the Church Council of St. Johannes Evangelical Lutheran, in Charleston, asking this body to excuse them for not sending a Delegate to this meeting. As the reasons assigned for this delinquency are satisfactory, your Committee recommend that their request be granted.

No. 2 is from Rev. J. Heckel, assigning severe indisposition as the cause of his absence. Your Committee recommend that he be excused.

No. 3 is one of the same character from Rev. S. T. Hallman. As his reasons are entirely satisfactory, we recommend that he be excused.

No. 4 is from our venerable and esteemed Bro. J. H. Honour, D. D., in which he gives as the excuse for his absence, on the present occasion, his advanced age and increasing infirmities, and asks us to excuse his absence, which we cheerfully recommend be granted.

Bro. Honour encloses one dollar, his annual contribution to the Missionary Society—which, in obedience to his instruction we have handed to the Treasurer.

No. 5 is the excuse of Bro. C. F. Bansemer, D. D., for his absence at the present meeting, which we recommend being accepted as quite satisfactory. Accompanying the same is a very lengthy communication from Bro. B., giving a detailed and minute account of his labors and prospects in Florida. As said communication contains information that may interest this body we suggest that it be read as information.

No. 6 is an exceedingly respectful communication from the Rev. J. P. Margart, in which he informs us that he was appointed to represent, as Corresponding Delegate, the Synod of Georgia, in our present Convention, but the fact that both bodies meet at the same time, will prevent him from being personally present with us. He, however, conveys to us in the kindest manner the fraternal greetings of his Synod. Your Committee is sure that they express the sentiment of this body, when they say to Bro. Margart, that we heartily reciprocate the kind feelings expressed, by him and through him, by his Synod.

No. 7 is the excuse of Rev. J. Bachman Haskel, who is prevented from meeting with us on account of ill health. Your Committee recommend that he be excused, and in view of the sore affliction of this dear young brother would offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the earnest and heartfelt sympathy of this Synod be tendered to our beloved brother in his afflictions, and that both in private and in public our prayers will be offered to a throne of grace in his behalf.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. H. BAILEY.

J. F. PROBST.

LEOPARD NICHOLS.

Report adopted as a whole.

The Special Committee appointed at last year's meeting to examine into the charter of the Synod, reported as follows:

Report of Special Committee on Charter of Synod.

To the Officers and Members of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina :

The Special Committee of Three members appointed at the last session of the Synod, who were charged with the duty of examining into the legal status of the charter of the Synod, and authorized, if they deemed it advisable, to apply for a new charter in which the name of the Synod should be changed to that of "The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina," ask leave to report :

That after a careful examination into the status of the charter of the Synod and the amendments thereto, your Committee reached the conclusion that the said charter had long since expired. Under the power vested in them, your Committee applied to the State Legislature for a revival and renewal of said charter, and for a change of the name of the Synod. The renewal charter as applied for was granted by an Act approved 21st December, 1882, and the name of the Synod was therein changed as desired to "The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina."

Your Committee append hereto a copy of the renewal charter, and recommend that the same be formally accepted by the Synod, and that the fact of acceptance, and also a copy of the Act be entered on the minutes and published in the printed copy of the minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. FICKEN.

H. S. WINGARD.

November 5th, 1883.

COPY OF ACT.

AN ACT TO RENEW AND AMEND THE CHARTER AND CHANGE THE NAME OF
"THE LUTHERAN SYNOD OF SOUTH CAROLINA, GEORGIA AND THE ADJOINING
STATES."

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted* by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, now met and sitting in General Assembly, and by the authority of the same, That the charter heretofore granted to "The Lutheran Synod of South Carolina, Georgia and the adjoining States" by an Act ratified on the 20th December, 1825, and subsequently renewed by an Act ratified on the 19th December, 1849, be, and the same is hereby, revived, renewed and extended for the period of thirty years from the date of the approval of this Act.

SEC. 2. That all corporate acts done and all corporate rights and privileges exercised by the said Synod since the expiration of its charter which accord with the provisions of the said charter are hereby declared to be as valid and effectual in law as if the said charter had not expired.

SEC. 3. That the name and style of the corporation is hereby so changed that it shall henceforth be known and designated as "The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina."

SEC. 4. That the said corporation is hereby empowered to take and hold property, real and personal, to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars, and the same to mortgage, alien or otherwise dispose of at discretion.

SEC. 5. That all Acts and parts of Acts inconsistent with this Act be, and the same are hereby repealed.

In the Senate House, the twenty-first day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two.

J. C. SHEPPARD,

President of the Senate.

JAMES SIMONS,

Speaker House of Representatives.

Approved December 21st, A. D. 1882.

HUGH S. THOMPSON,

Governor.

The following resolution was offered and referred to the Committee on Appropriations :

Whereas, the income from tuition and from interest accumulating on Endowment Fund does not compensate the Professors of Newberry College for their labors, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Synod appropriate to each of the four Professors in the Collegiate Department, one hundred dollars, and that the said amount be paid in two installments, the first in January, and the second in May next.

The part of the report on the President's Report, referring to deceased members was read, and in accordance with it the following Committees were appointed:

On Death of Rev. A. R. Rude, D. D.—Rev. S. S. Rahn, Rev. Prof. G. W. Holland, Major G. Leaphart.

On Death of Rev. J. H. W. Wertz.—Rev. J. H. Bailey, Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D., D. L. Boozer, M. D.

The following communication from the Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of Augusta, Ga., was read and referred to a Committee:

Committee—Rev. L. E. Busby, Rev. J. A. Sligh, J. C. Tiedeman.

AUGUSTA, GA., November 2, 1883.

To the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina :

Brethren—Having a few months ago organized ourselves into a congregation, and having a pastor who is a member of your body, we desire, and hereby respectfully ask, to be received into connection with the Synod at your approaching Convention.

This decision was made at a regular meeting of our Council held this P. M., 8 o'clock.

By order of Council.

J. H. VON SPRECKEN,

Secretary pro. tem.

S. S. RAHN, Pastor, presiding.

A letter of excuse, and Parochial Report from Rev. L. Muller, D. D., were read. Excuse granted.

The Committee on Correspondence with Tennessee Synod reported. Report considered by items.

Report of the Committee on Correspondence of Tennessee Synod.

The papers placed in the hands of your Committee consist of a correspondence between the President of the Evangelical Lutheran Tennessee Synod, and the President of our own Synod; and, also, the action of the Evangelical Lutheran Tennessee Synod and the Evangelical Lutheran Virginia Synod at their recent meetings relative to the holding of a diet with a view to the inauguration of a Lutheran Southern Synodical Conference.

Your Committee recommend for adoption by this Synod the following resolutions :

Resolved 1. That this Synod rejoices to know that there is a growing tendency toward a closer organic union of all the Lutheran Synods of the South.

Resolved 2. That all movements that look to the greater unification of our Church in the South upon a truly Lutheran basis have our cordial sympathy.

Resolved 3. That we regard the doctrinal basis of the General Synod South as truly Lutheran in its adoption, in their true historic meaning of Luther's catechism and the unaltered Augsburg Confession; and that we also, in the language of the preface to the Book of Concord, "approve the Book of Concord as expressing the pious and genuine sentiment of the Augsburg Confession.

Resolved 4. That as the proposed time for the holding of the Diet, April 9, 1884, is but a week before the meeting of our General Synod, and is also Passion Week, we recommend that said diet be held at the time and place of the meeting of General Synod South, namely, April 17th, 1884, and Charleston, S. C.; or, if this time and place be not convenient to those interested, at such other time and place as may be agreed upon.

Resolved 5. That our delegation to the next session of the General Synod be the delegation to represent this body in the proposed diet.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. HOLLAND.

J. HAWKINS.

J. A. SLIGH.

Item 1st adopted.

Item 2d adopted.

Synod adjourned for divine service leaving the other items for consideration at the P. M. Session.

MONDAY P. M. SESSION.

Opened with prayer by Rev. C. P. Boozer.

On motion Capt. G. S. Hacker, for satisfactory reasons, was excused from Synod.

The 3d item of Report on Correspondence with Tennessee Synod was taken up, discussed and adopted.

4th item adopted.

5th item adopted.

Report adopted as a whole.

Committee on Pastoral Districts reported.

Report of Committee on Pastoral Districts.

Your Committee whose duty it is to report on the arrangement of Pastoral Districts, having examined the matter carefully, would submit the following recommendations :

1. That Macedonia, Mount Pleasant, and Salem Churches, be put into a pastorate for the coming year.

2. That Union Church be allowed to remain, the coming year, in connection with St. David's and Bethlehem. Also, St. Peter's can be served by the Pastor of these Churches.

3. That Nazareth and Bethany remain alone as their Pastor has a mission point at which he is holding divine services. Rev. Baily, the Pastor, is also willing to serve Orange Chapel if his services be desired. This arrangement to continue one year.

4. That as St. Luke's Church has withdrawn from Pastorate No. 12, and asks to stand alone and employ its own Pastor, this be granted. This leaves Colony without a Pastor. This Church wishes to make its own arrangements, we recommend this be granted.

S. S. RAHN.

J. H. WILSON.

S. P. DERRICK.

Report adopted.

On motion, delegates to General Synod were elected.

Clerical Delegates.

PRINCIPAL.

Rev. E. T. Horn.

Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D.

Rev. J. A. Sligh.

Rev. Prof. G. W. Holland.

Rev. J. Steck, D. D.

ALTERNATE.

Rev. J. F. Probst.

Rev. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D.

Rev. S. S. Rahn.

Rev. P. Miller.

Rev. L. K. Probst.

Lay Delegates.

PRINCIPAL.

Maj. P. E. Wise.
 R. G. Chisolm.
 G. B. Cromer, Esq.
 O. B. Mayer, Sr., M. D.
 Maj. G. Leaphart.

ALTERNATE.

Col. T. W. Holloway.
 Capt. Geo. S. Hacker.
 Capt. J. H. Steinmeyer.
 C. F. Panknin, M. D.
 D. L. Boozer, M. D.

The Report of Rev. S. A. Repass, D. D., President of the Theological Seminary at Salem, Va., was read, received and adopted.

The report stated that there were at present *nine* students at the Seminary. Of this number *seven* constitute the junior class. With *two* exceptions these students are from the Synods of Virginia.

Dr. Repass, who was present, followed this report with some appropriate and forcible remarks, in which he urged upon the Synod the duty of providing more men for the Ministry.

The Committee on Petition from Augusta, Ga., reported.

Report of Committee on Petition from Augusta, Ga.

Your Committee reports as follows:

Having been informed that the English Evangelical Lutheran Congregation in Augusta, Ga., has adopted a Constitution in conformity to the Constitution of the South Carolina Synod, we hereby recommend that, in accordance with their request, said congregation be received under the care of this Synod, at this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

L. E. BUSBY.

J. A. SLIGH.

J. C. TIEDEMAN.

Report adopted.

Place of Next Meeting.

By vote of Synod, Pine Grove Church, Orangeburg County, Rev. J. Q. Wertz, Pastor, was chosen as the place for the next meeting of Synod.

Time of Meeting.

It was moved that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet on the last Thursday in October, 1884.

By motion, the following persons were appointed to preach at the next meeting:

PRINCIPAL.

ALTERNATE.

Education Sermon.....	Rev. A. J. Bowers.	Rev. J. Steck, D.D.
Mission Sermon.....	Rev. J. E. Bushnell.	Rev. P. Miller.
Ordination Sermon....	Rev. J. A. Sligh.	Rev. L. E. Busby.

On motion the following Delegates to Sister Synods were elected :

PRINCIPALS.

ALTERNATES.

To Georgia Synod..	Rev. J. Steck, D. D.	Rev. J. A. Sligh.
To N. C. Synod....	Rev. J. Hawkins, D.D.	Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh
To Tennessee Synod.	Rev. J. H. Wilson.	Rev. P. Miller.

Amendments to the Constitution.

The proposed amendments to the Constitution were laid over until next year.

The Committee on Appropriations reported as follows :

Report of Committee on Appropriations.

Your Committee on Appropriations beg leave to report the following:

1. Apparatus for Newberry College.....	\$ 50 00
2. Insurance on Newberry College.....	100 00
3. Printing Minutes.....	115 00
4. S. T. Riser, beneficiary.....	160 00
5. M. M. Kinard, beneficiary.....	160 00
6. For Professors at Newberry College.....	400 00

7. *Resolved*, That the funds of the Children's Missionary Society be applied to the use of the English Lutheran Mission Church at Augusta, and the Treasurer of that Society is directed so to apply them, under the direction of the Executive Committee; the wish of this Synod being, that such contributions shall be applied only to the erection of a church or chapel, and be given on condition that the congregation buy for that purpose a suitable lot.

8. *Resolved*, That \$160 be appropriated to Richmond Mission.

9. That the balance in hands of Executive Committee, and the collections taken Sunday, are appropriated to the Executive Committee for the prosecution of the work they have begun, and for other operations which may be undertaken during the coming year.

J. STECK.

P. E. WISE.

Report received and considered by items.

Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 adopted.

Further consideration deferred until next session.

J. S. Hendrix was, by motion, excused.

Synod adjourned, with prayer, by Rev. L. K. Probst.

Religious Services During Synod.

Thursday, 11 A. M.—Synodical Sermon, by Rev. E. T. Horn. Text: Gen. xiv. 18-20.

Friday, 11 A. M.—Educational Sermon, by Rev. L. K. Probst. Text: Proverbs i. 7.

Saturday, 11 A. M.—Luther Memorial Service. Programme: Rev. P. Miller; *Psalm 46*; Hymn 98. Prayer, Rev. S. A. Repass, D. D. Martin Luther's Faith in God: Rev. A. W. Lindler. The Relation between the Reformation and Martin Luther's Inward Experience: Rev. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D. 2 stanzas: Ein' Feste Burg. The Lutheran and Swiss Reformation Contrasted: Rev. J. A. Sligh. The Obligation of the World to Martin Luther: Rev. J. Steck, D. D. 2 stanzas: Ein' Feste Burg. The Influence of Martin Luther's Personality on the Church which bears his name and his servant's work: Rev. S. S. Rahn. How can we best express our thanks to God for his servant: Rev. L. E. Busby.

Sunday, 11 A. M.—Missionary Sermon, by Rev. J. Steck, D. D.

Sunday, 1½ P. M.—Ordination Sermon, by Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D. Text: 2 Cor., iv. 7.

After which Messrs. A. J. Bowers, J. E. Bushnell, M. O. J. Kreps, and J. W. S. Sheppard were ordained.

Monday.—Address on Martin Luther, by Rev. S. A. Repass, D. D.

Missionary Society.

The following persons became Annual Members by the payment of the sum opposite their name:

Mrs. A. R. Probst	\$1 00	J. S. Hendrix.....	\$1 00
Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh.....	1 00	F. M. Setzler.....	1 00
Mrs. Lula Bedenbaugh.....	1 00	Rev. L. E. Busby.....	1 00
Mrs. Sarah J. Kreps.....	1 00	Mrs. L. E. Busby.....	1 00
Rev. A. W. Lindler.....	1 00	Master Julian Busby.....	1 00
Mrs. Elizabeth Lindler.....	1 00	S. P. Derrick.....	1 00
Rev. J. F. Kiser.....	1 00	Mrs. John S. Derrick....	1 00
Mrs. E. A. Kreps.....	1 00	Mark W. Shealy.....	1 00
Mrs. E. A. Haltiwanger.....	1 00	Leopard Nichols.....	1 00
Rev. P. Miller.....	1 00	Miss Jessie Hendrix.....	1 00
Mrs. P. Miller.....	1 00	J. C. Tiedeman.....	1 00
J. L. Shuler, M. D.....	1 00	Jefferson Quattlebaum.....	1 00
W. A. Hentz.....	1 00	D. L. Boozer, M. D.....	1 00
H. H. Riser.....	1 00	Mrs. D. L. Boozer....	1 00
Rev. S. S. Rahn.....	1 00	Mrs. M. E. Heuse.....	1 00
B. K. H. Kreps, M. D.....	1 00	Mrs. Hattie Keller.....	1 00
Rev. C. P. Boozer.....	1 00	G. H. Rawl.....	1 00
E. T. Horn.....	1 00	E. O. Counts.....	1 00
Prof. C. W. Welch.....	1 00	W. P. Houseal.....	1 00
Maj. G. Leaphart.....	1 00	Mrs. J. A. Sligh.....	1 00
R. F. Bryant.....	1 00	Rev. J. A. Sligh.....	1 00
G. A. Sitzler.....	1 00	W. C. Dreher.....	1 00

Rev. J. Q. Wertz.....	1 00	P. L. Langford.....	1 00
Mrs. M. V. Wertz..	1 00	W. R. Hentz.....	1 00
J. R. Chapman....	1 00	Mrs. G. W. Holland.....	1 00
W. F. Koon....	1 00	Mrs. M. L. Hawkins.....	1 00
Mrs. A. M. Rickard.....	1 00	Rev. A. J. Bowers.....	1 00
Mrs. M. H. Boinest	1 00	Rev. J. E. Bushnell.....	1 00
Miss Jennie Smeltzer.....	1 00	Master Willie B. Smeltzer.....	1 00
Col. A. H. Wheeler.....	1 00	Rev. J. H. Wilson.....	1 00
Mrs. Ann Caughman.....	1 00	Mrs. J. W. Sellers.....	1 00
Rev. Johannes Heckel.....	1 00	Mrs. H. S. Wingard.....	1 00
Miss Janie B. Bowers.....	1 00	Rev. I. P. Hawkins.....	1 00
Mrs. I. P. Hawkins.....	1 00	T. W. Holloway.....	1 00
Carrie Hentz.....	1 00	Mrs. T. W. Holloway..	1 00
Mrs. F. Summers.....	1 00	Miss Janie Bowers.....	1 00
Miss L. G. Rives.....	1 00	E. R. Hipp....	1 00
Rev. M. O. J. Kreps.....	1 00	Mrs. M. O. J. Kreps..	1 00
Rev. J. H. Honour, D. D.....	1 00		

Children's Missionary Society.

MONEY RECEIVED AT SYNOD, POMARIA, S. C.

St. Mathew's Church, Pastorate No. 2, by Rev. J. H. Wilson.....	\$ 4 00
Pine Grove, Pastorate No. 3, by Rev. J. Q. Wertz.....	5 00
Trinity Church, Pastorate No. 3, by Rev. J. Q. Wertz.....	8 50
Bethlehem Sunday School, by Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh	5 75
Grace Church, Prosperity, by Rev. J. E. Bushnell	20 00
Colony Church, Pastor, Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D.....	6 50
St. Luke's, Pastor, Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D.....	7 50
St. Paul's, Pastor, Rev. J. A. Sligh	9 40
Mount Tabor, Pastor, Rev. J. A. Sligh.....	5 10
Bethlehem, \$12.50, and St. Phillips', \$2.50, Pomaria, S. Carolina.....	15 00
St. Matthews, Treasurer, D. P. Wertz.....	4 40
Luther Chapel, Rev. Dr. Steck.....	3 95
Total.....	<u>\$95 10</u>

Moneys Received at Synod.

Rev. J. Heckel's charge.....	\$ 30 00
Rev. J. E. Bushnell's charge.....	35 00
Rev. Dr. Hawkins' charge:	
St. Luke's Church	\$50 00
Calvary Church.....	30 00
Rev. J. Q. Wertz' charge.....	60 00
Rev. M. O. J. Kreps' charge.....	50 00
Rev. J. H. Wilson's charge.....	70 00
Rev. J. H. Wilson's charge.....	10 00
Rev. J. F. Probst, Walhalla Church.....	13 00

Rev. L. K. Probst's charge.....		
Wentworth Street Lutheran Church.....	100	00
Rev. C. P. Boozer's charge:		
Mount Pleasant Church.....	\$ 5	00
Corinth Church.....	11	00
Trinity Church.....	6	00
St. Mark's Church.....	17	00
Macedonia Church.....	13	00
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Rev. J. H. Bailly's charge:		
Bethaney Church.....	\$ 2	50
Nazareth Church.....	11	55
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Rev. P. Miller's charge:		
St. Andrew's Church....	\$21	67
St. Michael's Church.....	21	68
Bethel Church.....	17	65
Mount Olivet.....	15	00
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Rev. J. F. Kiser's charge.....	15	00
Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh's charge:		
Betheden Church.....	\$25	00
St. Matthews' Church.....	25	00
Lioerty Hill Church.....	10	00
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Rev. L. E. Busby's charge:		
Mount Calvary Church...	\$11	67
Good Hope Church.....	11	66
Luther Chapel Church.....	11	67
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Rev. Dr. Smeltzer's charge:		
New Bethlehem Church.....	4	05
Rev. J. B. Haskel's charge.....	53	00
Rev. J. A. Sligh's charge:		
St. Paul Church.....	\$40	00
Mount Tabor Church.....	25	00
Rev. A. W. Lindler, Graniteville.....	5	25
Rev. H. S. Wingard's charge.....	60	00
Rev. I. P. Hawkins' charge.....	23	00
Rev. B. Kreps' charge:		
Union Church.....	\$10	00
Bethlehem Church.....	4	10
St. David's Church.....	7	45
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Rev. D. Kyzer, St. Peter's Church.....	55	
Dr. Steck's charge.....	50	00
Rev. E. A. Wingard, Earley Branch Church.....	5	00

Moneys Received for Foreign Missions.

Rev. P. Miller's charge, Foreign Missions :			
St. Andrew's Church.....	\$12	85	
St. Michael's Church....	10	00	
St. Bethlehem Church	5	25	
Mount Olivet Church	3	70	31 80
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Rev. J. H. Wilson's charge.....	14	50	
Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh's charge.....	15	00	
Rev. L. E. Busby's charge:			
Mount Calvary Church	\$13	56	
Good Hope Church.....	7	49	
Leesville Church.....	8	25	29 30
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Rev. J. E. Bushnell's charge	16	25	

TUESDAY, November 13th, 1883.

Synod opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. Steck.

Unfinished business, 7th item on Report on Appropriations was taken up, discussed and adopted:

8th item adopted.

9th item adopted.

Report adopted as a whole.

The report of Committee on the part of President's Report, referring to Missions was presented.

Report adopted.

Report of Committee on Missions.

We take pleasure in saying that the Report of the Executive Committee evinces energy and wisdom on the part of said Committee; and we recommend the following:

1st. That Synod heartily endorse all the acts of the Executive Committee of last year.

2d. That the Executive Committee of this year give continued aid to the points taken up, and that in order to this the balance of funds in the hands of the Committee be at the disposal of the said Committee.

3d. That the funds of the Children's Missionary Societies be subject to the direction of the Executive Committee, as per provision of resolution relative to English Lutheran Congregation in Augusta, Ga.

Respectfully submitted,

P. MILLER.

J. H. BAILEY.

W. L. RISER.

The Committee on President's Report offered the following, which was adopted :

Report on President's Report.

Your Committee on the President's Report beg leave to state that, having examined this paper, they find in it much valuable information concerning the Church in our Synod. It evinces great industry and fidelity, on the part of our presiding officer. When published with the minutes, it will enrich them with much that will be useful for future reference and direction. His advice, when it has been asked, has been given in the spirit of kindly conciliation. His authority, when exercised, has been in keeping with the genius and polity of the Lutheran Church. His recommendations for present consideration and action are judicious and well calculated to remedy existing evils, and advance the Synod's efficiency. The action contemplated in part of these recommendations has already been anticipated by Synod, and needs no further proposed action, from your Committee. The recommendations 1, 2, 3, 4, at the conclusion of the Report, deserve the serious consideration of Synod, and your Committee move that they be adopted as part of Synod rules and regulations.

The only other item of the Report requiring the action of Synod is that in relation to our lamented father's in the Ministry, Rev. J. H. W. Wertz, and A. R. Rude, D. D. We suggest, as the most appropriate way of showing our appreciation of their worth, and our sadness at their removal, the appointment of a committee to draft suitable resolutions.

J. STECK.

A. W. LINDLER.

L. E. BUSBY.

R. F. BRYANT.

L. NORMAN.

The recommendations of the President referred to were considered by items and adopted as part of Synod's Rules and Regulations.

President's Report then adopted as a whole.

Conferences.

On motion, a committee was appointed to draft a plan for the organization of Conferences. Their report to be laid before Synod at its next annual meeting.

Committee.—Rev. J. H. Wilson, Rev. J. A. Sligh, Maj. P. E. Wise.

The Committee on Conferences reported :

Report of Committee on Conferences.

The Committee on Conferences respectfully present the following :

The Newberry Conference met regularly during the past year. The Conventions were well represented by both the clergy and lay delegates, and by their united and harmonious action, the meetings were made quite interesting and successful.

A very successful Sunday School Convention was held at Prosperity in July.

It is said, that this Conference is exerting a salutary influence for the Lutheran Church.

The Central Conference convened regularly every fifth Sunday, with gratifying results.

A Sunday School Convention was also held within the bounds of this Conference. It has \$60 in the Treasury.

The Orangeburg Conference held no meetings during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. KISER.
C. P. BOOZER.
V. L. NORMAN.

Report adopted.

It was moved, that the Executive Committee should consist of *seven* members.

A Committee, consisting of Rev. J. H. Wilson, Rev. Prof. G. W. Holland and Rev. L. E. Busby, was appointed to nominate an Executive Committee.

The following nominations were made :

Executive Committee.

Rev. E. T. Horn,	Rev. J. A. Sligh,
Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D.,	Rev. J. Steck, D. D.,
Rev. Prof. G. W. Holland,	Maj P. E. Wise,
	D. B. Wheeler, Esq.

The Committee on Apportionments for the ensuing year reported the following apportionments, which were confirmed by the Synod :

Report of Committee on Apportionments.

Your Committee on Apportionments for the ensuing year would respectfully submit the following :

Rev. E. T. Horn's congregation.....	\$130 00
Rev. L. K. Probst's congregation.....	100 00
Rev. Dr. Muller's congregation	75 00
Rev. J. B. Haskell's congregation.....	65 00
Rev. Dr. Hawkin's congregation.....	50 00
Rev. Dr. Steck's congregation.....	50 00
Rev. J. Heckel's congregation.....	30 00
Rev. J. F. Kiser's congregation.....	12 00
Rev. A. W. Lindler's congregation.....	10 00
Rev. S. S. Rahn's congregation.....	10 00
Rev. Dr. Smeltzer's congregation.....	5 00
Rev. E. A. Wingard's congregation.....	5 00
Rev. P. Miller's charge.....	80 00
Rev. J. F. Probst's charge.....	10 00

Rev. J. A. Sligh's charge.	65 00
Rev. J. H. Wilson's charge.	70 00
Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh's charge.	60 00
Rev. J. Q. Wertz's charge.	60 00
Rev. S. T. Hallman's charge.	60 00
Rev. M. O. J. Krep's charge.	60 00
Rev. I. P. Hawkin's charge.	50 00
Rev. J. E. Bushnell's charge.	45 00
Rev. J. D. Bowle's charge.	40 00
Rev. L. E. Busby's charge.	35 00
Rev. B. Krep's charge.	25 00
Rev. J. H. Bailey's charge.	25 00
Colony congregation.	25 00
Macedonia congregation.	20 00
Mt. Pleasant congregation.	5 00
Salem congregation.	5 00

Respectfully submitted,

Z. W. BEDENBAUGH.

G. S. HACKER.

P. E. WISE

Treasurer of Children's Missionary Society.

Rev. L. K. Probst, present Treasurer of the Children's Missionary Society, was re-elected for the ensuing year.

It was resolved :

That the Pastorates be referred, with all vacant churches, to each respective Conference, to suggest such changes as in their judgment are necessary, and report to Synod at its next meeting.

On motion, the President appointed Committees to examine the bonds of Treasurers.

Bond of Treasurer Leaphart.—Rev. P. Miller, J. L. Shuler, M. D., J. L. Boozer, M. D.

Bond of Treasurer Dingle.—Capt. G. S. Hacker, W. W. Johnson, Esq.

Bond of Treasurer Wise.—Rev. J. A. Sligh, R. H. Wheeler.

Financial Agent.

It was resolved :

That the selection of the Financial Agent for Newberry College be referred to the Standing Committee of the Board of Trustees of the College.

Committee on Death of Rev. A. R. Rude, D. D., offered the following Report, which was adopted by a standing vote :

SACRED TO THE MEMORY

OF

Rev. Anton R. Rude, D. D.,

BORN OCTOBER, 1813, AND DIED MAY 21, 1883.

AGED 70 YEARS, 6 MONTHS AND 26 DAYS.

The subject of this tribute was greatly beloved and venerated by this Synod, the members of which always rejoiced in his presence, hearkened to his counsels, honored his profound learning, and delighted to emulate his holy example; especially was he ever ready to advise and encourage the young men of the Ministerium, and those most intimately associated with him. He counseled and cautioned as a loving father, all who confided in his good judgment, and appealed to him in times of need.

He was eminent for his deep piety—was truly a man of God. But he has left us, and entered into rest. The Master has said, *it is enough*—has called him from his labors in the Church militant to his blessed rewards in the Church triumphant.

Our deceased brother and father in God was a native of Denmark, but in early life came to this country. Having studied theology at Andover and Gettysburg, he was ordained to the office of the holy ministry in 1842, and was a faithful servant of the Church until the close of his earthly life.

In general scholarship, and especially in theological science and literature, his attainments were acknowledged. In sincere and consistent devotion to the Church, and its pure faith and usages—in his untiring diligence in the preparation of the Book of Worship—in his position as Editor of the *Lutheran Visitor*—in the capacity of Instructor in the Theological Seminary during several years—in pastoral activity—and in his long connection with this Synod as one of the most efficient and influential members, he is pre-eminently worthy of our imitation and honor.

He rests from his labors, and his works do follow him.

S. S. RHAN.

G. W. HOLLAND.

G. LEAPHART.

The Committee on the Death of Rev. J. H. W. Wertz asked leave to send in their Report in time for the printing of the Minutes.

A rising vote was taken to express the feeling of Synod at the loss of Brother Wertz.

SACRED TO THE MEMORY

OF

Rev. J. H. W. Wertz,

BORN JUNE 12, 1820, AND DIED APRIL 23, 1883.

Rev. J. H. W. Wertz was born June 12th, 1820, and died April 23d, 1883, in the Sixty-Third year of his age. Although deprived of the benefits of a Classical and Theological Training, yet, with a strong and vigorous mind, by diligent study and close application he fitted himself for much usefulness in the Church. His preaching, in style was a pattern of simplicity; it was so plain that no one could go from his Church asking the meaning of what they had heard; and his sentiments were so eminently pure and devout that the Word of God, in his mouth, was *seen* to be truth. He studiously adapted his instructions to the wants and attainments of the masses, avoiding in his preaching such questions as minister to disputes rather than to godly edifying. And while he thus preached the Gospel to the masses, his appeals derived no small degree of force and efficacy from an affectionate and animated delivery, and a life which exemplified what he taught. The leading topic of his discourses were—the bondage of man by sin—the necessity of a deliverer—the manner of our redemption—the danger of not closing with it—the power of grace to deliver us. And blessed are those whose purity of doctrine and holiness of life are liable to as few exceptions as his, and who labor as earnestly and diligently in the the cause of their Master and Saviour as he. Our Synod mourns the loss of a brother dearly beloved, and the Church of a faithful and efficient Pastor. But our loss is his gain.

J. H. BAILEY.

J. HAWKINS.

D. L. BOOZER.

Lutheran Visitor.

Resolution:

Resolved, That we have noted with pleasure the improvements made in the *Lutheran Visitor*, and do pledge it our sympathy and support.

Resolution of Thanks.

Resolved, That this Synod desires to express its gratitude to the people of this congregation and community for their hearty and unbounded hospitality, and to assure them of the high esteem in which we hold them.

Walhalla Female College.

It was resolved:

That we recognize Walhalla Female College as a suitable school at which to educate our daughters, and that we rejoice in the success that has attended Dr. Smeltzer's efforts to advance the interests of education within our Synod.

It was resolved:

That the Treasurer of Seminary Fund pay \$1,100.00, in quarterly installments, as salary to Rev. S. A. Repass, D. D., professor in Theological Seminary, Salem, Va.

It was resolved:

That the sum of twenty-five dollars be appropriated from the Seminary Fund as part payment of the expenses of Dr. Repass in attending this session of our Synod.

It was resolved:

That the sum of thirty-nine dollars be appropriated from the Seminary Fund, as the share of this Synod of the current expenses of the Theological Seminary.

The delegate to the Georgia Synod, Rev. Prof. G. W. Holland, stated verbally that having been unable to attend that Synod he had sent a letter of fraternal greeting.

The delegate to the Tennessee Synod also verbally stated that he had not been able to attend said Synod, but had sent a letter of greeting.

The matter of preparing *Theses* for discussion at the meetings of Synod was referred to a committee consisting of Rev. E. T. Horn and Rev. L. Muller, D. D.

Synod was then finally adjourned by the President with the regular service for the Closing of Synod, as contained in the Book of Worship.

L. K. PROBST,
Secretary of Synod of South Carolina.

MINUTES OF MINISTERIUM.

FIRST SESSION.

NOVEMBER 8TH, 1883—3 P. M.

Opened with Prayer by Rev. Dr. Smeltzer.

Applications for Ordination were presented, and on motion, were referred to the Examining Committee.

Applications for aid from the funds of Synod were referred to the following Committee :

Committee.—Rev. S. S. Rahn, Rev. J. F. Probst, Rev. Dr. Smeltzer.

It was moved :

That the method recommended by the President for the examination of the candidates for Ordination be adopted by this Ministerium.

It was moved that the examination begin on the 9th, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Mr. S. T. Riser was recommended to the Committee on Appropriations for an appropriation.

Ministerium adjourned with the Benediction.

SECOND SESSION.

NOVEMBER 9TH, 1883—3 P. M.

Opened with Prayer by Rev. P. Miller.

Applicants for Ordination were examined.

The hour of adjournment having arrived the examination was ordered to be continued the next day, at 3 P. M.

Benediction by President Horn.

THIRD SESSION.

NOVEMBER 10TH, 1883—3 P. M.

Opened with Prayer by Rev. I. P. Hawkins.

The Committee on Applications for aid reported as follows:

Your Committee whose duty it was made to report on the letter of Grace Church, in reference to Mr. M. M. Kinard; and the letter from Mr. Wm. Roof, asking aid from Synod, would recommend:

1. That Mr. Kinard be received on the funds of Synod and sent to College one year, and then to the Seminary.

2. That in view of Mr. Roof's advanced age, and other circumstances—not necessary to mention—we deem it unwise to give him any encouragement to prepare himself for the Ministry.

S. S. RAHN.

J. F. PROBST.

J. P. SMELTZER.

Report considered by items:

Item 1st adopted.

Item 2d adopted.

Examination of candidates continued:

The examination having proved satisfactory to the Ministerium, It was moved: That the following Candidates for Ordination be ordained on Sunday afternoon, at the time of divine service.

A. J. Bowers.

John E. Bushnell.

John W. E. Sheppard.

Muller O. J. Kreps.

Minutes of Ministerium read and adopted.

Adjourned with Benediction.

L. K. PROBST,

Secretary of Ministerium.

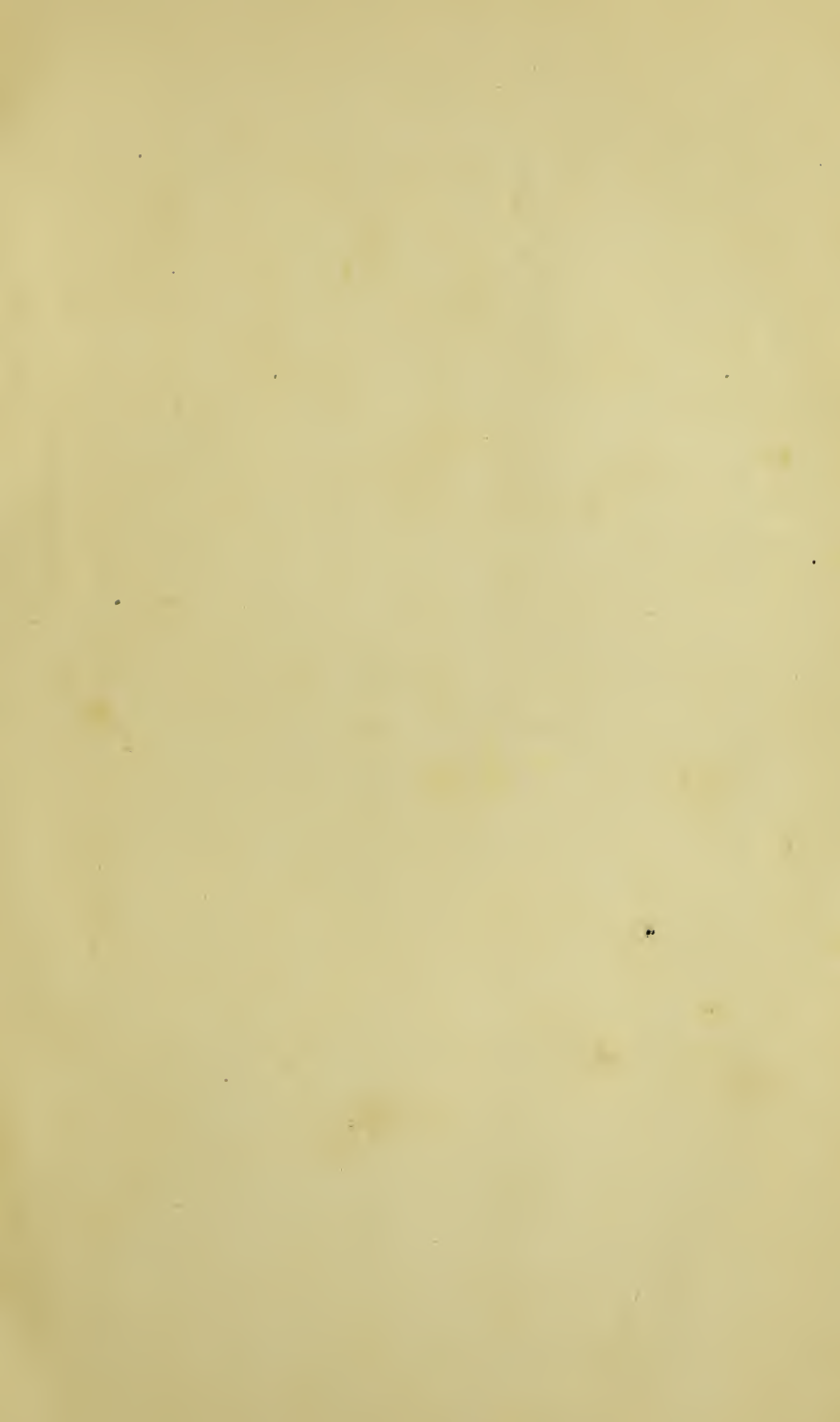
PAROCHIAL TABLE.

MINISTERS AND VACANT CHARGES.

Number of Congregations.									
MEMBERS RECEIVED BY			Baptism.		MEMBERS LOST BY			Death.	
Infants.					Infants.				
Adults.					Adults.				
Confirmation.									
Certificate.									
Restoration.									
Dismission.									
Excommunication.									
Communicants.					MEMBERS ENROLLED.				
Non Communicants.									
Funerals—Not Members.									
Prayer Meetings.									
Number of Schools.					SUNDAY-SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.				
Number of Teachers.									
Number of Scholars.									
Assessment.					Synodical Fund.				
Amount Paid.									
Home.					Mission Fund.				
Foreign.									
Education.									
Local Objects.									

Rev. C. F. Bausermer, D. D.	1	78	1	43	9	2	1	16	15	475	51	1	32	283	\$ 75 00	\$ 56 66	\$	\$	\$
Rev. L. Muller, D. D.	1	31	1	11	5	2	1	1	2	140	5	1	10	20	10 00	4 05	10	140	180 00
Rev. J. H. Bailey	2	8								400			7	60	50 00	15 00		430 00	
Rev. J. P. Smeltzer, D. D.	1	8			4	1		3	1	100	100		1	20	80 00	50 00	20 00	700 00	
Rev. J. F. Probst **	1	4								125	25		18	180	50 00	80 00	10 00	30 00	
Rev. J. Steck, D. D.	1	28	2	30	6	1		8	1	450	13	2	20	180	5 00	5 25			
Rev. J. Hawkins, D. D.	2	5			7	7		1	1	59			8	65	80 00	76 00			
Rev. A. W. Lindler***	2	2			3	3		3	8	382	61	9	5	30	212	20 00	21 55	31 80	
Rev. P. Miller	4	16	2	11	4	6	1	3	8	358	302	3	1	31	324	30 00	30 00	15 62	
Rev. B. Krebs	4	33	6	23	3	2		10	8	302	21	21	25	250	130	65 00	65 00	14 50	
Rev. J. Heckel	1	27		8	30	3		5	4	290	20	14	2	13	117	40 00	34 00	70 00	
Rev. J. A. Sligh	2	26		6	5					317	17	9	3	189	130 00	130 00	2557 36	50 75	
Rev. C. P. Booser	3	13	1	10		3		4		240		2	1	37	15 00	15 00		3 45	
Rev. E. T. Horn	1	22		16	8	4		2	2	40			1	5	35			720 00	
Rev. J. F. Kiser	1	3		7	8	4				31			1	6	46				
Rev. S. S. Kahn**	1	11	3	5	23			2	8	179	26	6	3	14	84	60 00	60 00	15 00	
Rev. Z. W. Bedenbaugh	3	5		1	1	3		2	5	245	92	5	3	10	140	35 00	35 00	29 30	
Rev. L. E. Busby	8	11		4	3	2	3	1	1	160			1	11	95	53 00		12 00	
Rev. J. B. Haskel	3	9	1	8	5	4		1	5	350			1	38	321	100 00	100 00	225 00	
Rev. L. K. Probst	1	33		19	6	4		8	8				1	16	95	90 00	70 00	145 60	
Rev. J. H. Wilson	2	13		4		10		2	2	151	25	5	2	14	114	60 00	40 00	530 00	
Rev. I. P. Hawkins	4	7		1	6	3		3	3	181	30	10	2	11	130	60 00	60 00	700 00	
Rev. J. Q. Wertz	4	5		1	24	3		2	4	167	4		2	25	200	35 00	35 00	210 00	
Rev. J. E. Bushnell †	2	20		18	15	1		4	4	160		5	2	24	184	50 00	50 00	250 00	
Rev. M. O. J. Krebs	4	5		16	2	2		1	1	358	20		4	20	130	6 00	6 00		
Pomaria Charges	3	21	1	21	5	9		2	5	281		6	3	120			15 00		
Early Branch a	1	1								135		7	1	83	20 00	5 00		36 00	
Macedonia Church b	1	17		8	2			6	2	46			2	11	13	13 00		275 00	
Mt. Pleasant Church c	1	5		2									2	13	75	3 00			

* No report for this year. ** Report for five months. *** Gravellyville. † Report for ten months. ‡ Present Pastor, Rev. S. T. Hallman. a Served by Rev. E. A. Wingard. b Served by Rev. C. P. Booser.



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